

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-02219-BAH**

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL  
RESPONSIBILITY v. U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROTECTION AGENCY

Assigned to: Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 09/25/2018

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

**Plaintiff**

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ENVIRONMENTAL  
RESPONSIBILITY**

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
09/25/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5704787), CIVIL COVER SHEET by PUBLIC

		EMPLOYEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY filed by PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Ex A – FOIA Request, # <u>2</u> Exhibit Ex B – Request for Clarification, # <u>3</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>4</u> Summons, # <u>5</u> Summons, # <u>6</u> Summons)(Dinerstein, Paula) (Entered: 09/25/2018)
09/27/2018		Case Assigned to Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell. (zsb) (Entered: 09/27/2018)
09/27/2018	<u>2</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zsb) (Entered: 09/27/2018)
09/27/2018	<u>3</u>	STANDING ORDER. Signed by Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell on September 27, 2018. (lcbah1) (Entered: 09/27/2018)
10/26/2018	<u>4</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (Seabrook, April) (Entered: 10/26/2018)
10/26/2018		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) GRANTING the defendant's <u>4</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time to File Answer, and Memorandum in Support Thereof and DIRECTING the defendant to file any responsive pleading by November 15, 2018. Signed by Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell on October 26, 2018. (lcbah1) (Entered: 10/26/2018)
10/26/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant's Answer due by 11/15/2018. (tg) (Entered: 10/26/2018)
10/29/2018	<u>5</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by Jason Todd Cohen on behalf of U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Substituting for attorney April Denise Seabrook (Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 10/29/2018)
11/15/2018	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.(Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 11/15/2018)
11/29/2018	<u>7</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. (Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 11/29/2018)
11/29/2018		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) DIRECTING, upon consideration of the parties' <u>7</u> Joint Status Report, the parties to submit a joint status report by January 7, 2019. Signed by Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell on November 29, 2018. (lcbah1) (Entered: 11/29/2018)
11/29/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 1/7/2019. (tg) (Entered: 11/29/2018)
01/04/2019	<u>8</u>	MOTION to Stay by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Coles–Huff, Doris) (Entered: 01/04/2019)
01/04/2019	<u>9</u>	NOTICE of Consent to Motion to Stay by PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY (Dinerstein, Paula) (Entered: 01/04/2019)
01/07/2019		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) STAYING, upon consideration of the defendant's <u>8</u> Motion for a Stay of All Proceedings in Light of Lapse of Appropriations and the plaintiff's <u>9</u> Notice of Consent to Motion for Stay of All Proceedings in Light of Lapse of Appropriations, this case and ORDERING the parties to file, within two business days of Congress appropriating funds for the defendant, a joint status report. Signed by Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell on January 7, 2019. (lcbah1) (Entered: 01/07/2019)
01/29/2019	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. (Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 01/29/2019)
01/29/2019		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) DIRECTING, upon consideration of the parties' <u>10</u> Joint Status Report, the parties to submit a joint status report by March 1, 2019. Signed by Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell on January 29, 2019. (lcbah1) (Entered: 01/29/2019)
01/30/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 3/1/2019. (tg) (Entered: 01/30/2019)
03/01/2019	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. (Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 03/01/2019)

03/01/2019		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) DIRECTING, upon consideration of the parties' <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, the parties to file a joint status report by April 1, 2019. Signed by Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell on March 1, 2019. (lcbah1) (Entered: 03/01/2019)
03/04/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 4/1/2019. (tg) (Entered: 03/04/2019)
04/01/2019	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. (Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 04/01/2019)
04/01/2019		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) DIRECTING, upon consideration of the parties' <u>12</u> Joint Status Report, the parties to file a joint status report by May 1, 2019 proposing a production schedule of records responsive to the plaintiff's FOIA request. Signed by Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell on April 1, 2019. (lcbah1) (Entered: 04/01/2019)
04/02/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 5/1/2019. (tg) (Entered: 04/02/2019)
05/01/2019	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. (Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 05/01/2019)
05/01/2019		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) DIRECTING, upon consideration of the parties' agreed-upon production schedule, as reflected in the <u>13</u> Joint Status Report, the parties to file, by August 1, 2019, a joint status report advising the Court of the status of the defendant's response to the plaintiff's FOIA request and proposing a schedule for any further proceedings. Signed by Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell on May 1, 2019. (lcbah1) (Entered: 05/01/2019)
05/01/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 8/1/2019. (tg) (Entered: 05/01/2019)
08/01/2019	<u>14</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. (Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 08/01/2019)
08/01/2019		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) DIRECTING, upon consideration of the parties' <u>14</u> Joint Status Report, the parties to file, by September 30, 2019, a joint status report advising the Court of any issues in dispute and proposing a schedule for dispositive briefing. Signed by Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell on August 1, 2019. (lcbah1) (Entered: 08/01/2019)
08/01/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 9/30/2019. (tg) (Entered: 08/01/2019)
09/23/2019	<u>15</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. (Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 09/23/2019)
09/23/2019		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) DIRECTING, upon consideration of the parties' <u>15</u> Joint Status Report, the parties to file, by November 14, 2019, a joint status report advising the Court of any issues in dispute and proposing a schedule for dispositive briefing. Signed by Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell on September 23, 2019. (lcbah1) (Entered: 09/23/2019)
09/24/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 11/14/2019. (tg) (Entered: 09/24/2019)
11/14/2019	<u>16</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. (Cohen, Jason) (Entered: 11/14/2019)
11/14/2019		MINUTE ORDER (paperless) DIRECTING, upon consideration of the parties' <u>16</u> Joint Status Report, the parties to file, by January 13, 2020, a joint status report advising the Court of any issues in dispute and proposing a schedule for dispositive briefing. Signed by Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell on November 14, 2019. (lcbah1) (Entered: 11/14/2019)
11/14/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 1/13/2020. (tg) (Entered: 11/14/2019)